Janice K. Brewer

Office of the Governor

* CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH *

WHEREAS, we recognize the vital role that technology has in our daily lives and in the future of our State and Nation, whereby today many citizens, schools, libraries, businesses and other organizations use the Internet for a variety of tasks, including keeping in contact with family and friends, managing personal finances, performing research, enhancing education and conducting business; and

WHEREAS, critical infrastructure sectors are increasingly reliant on information systems to support financial services, energy, telecommunications, transportation, health care, and emergency response systems; and

WHEREAS, the use of the Internet at the primary and secondary school levels in this State enhances the education of youth by providing them access to online educational and research materials; and at institutions of higher education, the use of information technology is integral to teaching and learning, research, outreach and service; and

WHEREAS, internet users and our information infrastructure face an increasing threat of malicious attack, significant financial and personal privacy losses due to identity theft and fraud; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security has established the Office of Cybersecurity and Communications and devoted resources within it solely to support the strengthening and securing of our country's cyber infrastructure at the state, local, tribal and territorial levels; and

WHEREAS, the Stop.Think.Connect.™ Campaign (www.stopthinkconnect.org or www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect) is a national effort coordinated by a coalition of private companies, non-profits and government organizations to raise awareness about cyber security among all digital citizens, helping them to stay safer and more secure online; and

WHEREAS, the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center, a division of the non-profit Center for Internet Security, provides a collaborative mechanism to help state, local, tribal and territorial governments enhance cyber security, and provides a comprehensive approach to help enhance the security of this State; and

WHEREAS, maintaining the security of cyberspace is a shared responsibility in which each of us has a critical role, and awareness of computer security essentials will improve the security of Arizona information infrastructure and economy; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (www.dhs.gov/cyber), the Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center (www.msisac.org), the National Association of State Chief Information Officers (www.nascio.org), and the National Cyber Security Alliance (www.staysafeonline.org) have declared October as National Cyber Security Awareness Month and encourage citizens to learn more about cyber security and apply that knowledge into their daily practice in their homes, schools, workplaces, and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janice K. Brewer, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim October 2013 as

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix on this twenty-sixth day of September in the year Two Thousand and Thirteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Thirty-eighth.

ATTEST:

Secretary of State



Janice K. Brewer Governor

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

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If you have any questions or concerns regarding your intended use of this proclamation, please contact the Governor's Office of Constituent Services.

Thank you for the opportunity to issue this proclamation. Governor Brewer is pleased to present the enclosed proclamation.